

# North East Locality Community Planning Partnership

# Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022 10.00am

# Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Apologies
- 2. Resignation of Chair
- 3. Introduction from Andrew Field, Head of Empowerment (CEC)
- 4. Note of last meeting
- 5. Action Tracker
- 6. LIP Priority Updates
- 7. AOB
- 8. DONM



# NORTH EAST LOCALITY COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP

Thursday 20 January 2022: 14.00 - 15:30

# Microsoft Teams

# MINUTE

Members present	
Sylvia Baikie	Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership (EHSCP)
Councillor Mary Campbell CI Kieran Dougal Evelyn Kilmurry Fiona Nicholson Councillor Alex Staniforth Libby Strong Douglas Tharby Stuart Tooley	City of Edinburgh Council Police Scotland City of Edinburgh Council Skills Development Scotland (SDS) City of Edinburgh Council City of Edinburgh Council Leith Neighbourhood Network University of Edinburgh
In attendance	
Julie Dickson	City of Edinburgh Council (note)
Michele Mulvaney	City of Edinburgh Council
Apologies	
Susanne Donkin	City of Edinburgh Council
Rachel Green (Chair)	The Ripple Project
Commander Stuart Gunn Angela Lindsay	Scottish Fire & Rescue Service Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership (EHSCP)
Judith Stonebridge	NHS Lothian

# 1. Welcome and Apologies

As above

# 2. Minutes of Meeting – 27 October 2021

Minor amend requested by Douglas to note that NNs are an integral part of the community planning family under Neighbourhood Networks, item 7.

The note was agreed, nominated by Evelyn and seconded by Michele.

# 3. Action Tracker

Douglas commented that membership of the LCPP was likely to be reviewed at a later date and asked Michele whether members could be added to the group. Michele confirmed that there is the provision for the partnership to co-opt additional members or invite individuals on an ad hoc basis to contribute.

Evelyn updated in relation to the Neighbourhood Networks actions and advised that the new Head of Community Empowerment would assist in taking forward community planning arrangements. There will be a new Community Empowerment team which will provide a dedicated resource, with the Head of Service post currently undergoing recruitment. Delays on a number of actions in the log had been in relation to capacity, Covid-19 and competing priorities.

# **Decision**

1. The action tracker will be updated as discussed.

# 4. Locality Improvement Plan (LIP)

1. Focussed update- Priority 3-Support and strengthen communities where poverty is highest to improve and maintain inclusive, safe and welcoming places to live- Evelyn Kilmurry/ Libby Strong Evelyn advised that this priority is led by herself and Libby but also by Police Scotland. As Kieran is new to the role it had been agreed that he would provide a fuller report on the 3 Police workstreams at the next meeting. A detailed quarterly report was included with the papers and a presentation attached to the note of meeting.

Evelyn and Libby spoke to the presentation (please see presentation attached). Evelyn outlined the four priority areas of action and their associated outcomes. The first action was Northfield. Evelyn described the background to the environmental improvement project and a provided a timeline, explaining that it is an example of a very ambitious Neighbourhood Environment Programme project which aims to improve the quality of life for local people. She advised that local residents had identified anti-social behaviour as a key concern and that Libby had established a working group to address the concerns raised as it had been established that no reports have been made to the police. The project is progressing well with the tender for the improvement work due to be submitted by the end of the month.

Libby spoke to the action regarding the North Cairntow site giving context and the background of the site (please see presentation). She talked through the timeline and key dates for the project. Libby advised that this project has been an example of coproduction between officers and residents, putting the needs of the residents at the heart of the project. She added that this work has informed the Scottish Government Framework for minimum site standards. Libby explained that residents now have the right to be offered a Scottish Secure Tenancy (SST), similar to other City of Edinburgh Council tenants. The residents have indicated that following their relocation back to the site in Autumn 2022 they will explore opportunity to become a Registered Tenants' Organisation (RTO). Furthermore, Libby advised that other companies have made approaches to provide additional funding for further developments to the site. She commented that this has been a very rewarding project to be part of and it is now at a key stage as the residents prepare to decant to allow for demolition and construction.

Libby moved on to cover the action around Magdalene Gardens and Drive (see presentation) looking at immediate works, some of which have already began and medium terms works. She advised of some slippage around the timeline. There had been requests from residents which required risk assessment carried out by the surveyor, architect and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS), where these requests were not feasible, alternatives had been suggested. Libby added that as a result of the pandemic the trade industry had changed beyond recognition, workshops have been closed and this has affected the programme management of projects like this. However, the planning and building warrant services are moving as fast as possible to deliver the project. In terms of phase two and works on the surrounding environment Libby explained that Road Services would be involved in looking at solutions in terms of cycle ways and footpaths etc.

Libby covered the fourth action in relation to community growing. She advised that the council have procured the services of Edible Edinburgh Estates who will look at existing community gardens and growing sites. There has been a reinvigoration of community interest and work is ongoing to make these safe spaces for people. Libby mentioned innovative work that has happened including the setting up of a tool library. There are active projects in Redbraes and Niddrie House and there has also been a keen interest in leasing space.

## Police Scotland

Kieran Dougal introduced himself as the new Local Area Commander. He went on to provide updates on the three areas of action for Police Scotland.

Domestic Abuse – Kieran advised that over the festive period stalls were held highlighting reporting mechanisms around domestic abuse and the support available to victims and partner agencies. He added that there had been social media work around this area and the MATAG group continue to meet. A training pack has been developed for use nationwide, this is awaiting sign off.

Anti-social behaviour – In relation to bonfire night Kieran reported that a couple of individuals have been charged with offences. Work has been undertaken with Housing to look at where improvements could be made to CCTV and preparatory work will be carried out so offences can be avoided this year. There was a rise in anti-social behaviour around Ocean Terminal over the festive period. In response Police Scotland held stalls, carried out joint patrols with site security, resulting in some shoplifters being caught as well as over 70 youth engagements. He advised that youth engagement forums were paused at the moment but would resume at some point. In relation to anti-social behaviour around Cables Wynd House there is liaison with Housing and Social Work Services to identify vulnerable families where support will be offered. Work is being carried out around Portobello beach including with housing, and interventions with individuals involved in anti-social behaviour last year. There will be business checks and work around water safety. An 'upcycling' project has £2k of funding, this will involve restoring bikes as well as exploring safety and security the aim of the project is to engage with individuals and divert from anti-social behaviour.

Hate Crime - Aimed at improving the safety, wellbeing & cohesion of our diverse community, the North East Community Policing Team launched the 'Beat Hate' Campaign in October 2021 and directly involves partnership working to ensure our neighbourhood is a place where people of different backgrounds get along. Fenicks, The Ripple and Edinburgh Community Food work together on this area.

Kieran stressed that Police Scotland are dedicated to addressing issues with drugs in communities, working with Housing and Border Agencies to tackle this. He advised that £20k worth of illicit drugs and £3k in cash had been seized in the area in the past couple of months.

## **Employability**

Evelyn advised that a progress report had been provided with the papers and that Susie would be happy to be contacted with any questions. Douglas suggested the topic go on the agenda for a fuller update at a future meeting.

## Health and Safety

Sylvia Baikie introduced herself and advised that she was taking over from Lauren Islam-Browne.

Sylvia advised that the North East Wellbeing Digest had moved to monthly production rather than fortnightly and that works. She added that members can get in touch if they have anything they'd like included. There is also work to look at the potential of combining iThrive and Connect Here.

In terms of social connectedness Sylvia reported that feedback from the Third Sector indicated that they are feeling stretched. Work will be undertaken to look at how colleagues can look after themselves, each other and the sector. There will be a further update on this at the next meeting.

The Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund is now open. Work with Lifting Neighbourhoods Together on the pilot project is ongoing and there is work with The Heart community hub on their Integrated Impact Assessment.

# 6. Edinburgh Partnership Update

Michele advised that work is progressing on the development of the Edinburgh Partnership Empowerment Strategy. An engagement plan is being developed and engagement will continue over the next couple of months.

Douglas added that it is very encouraging how much community involvement has been taking place.

# 7. AOB

Douglas advised that the Seafield group will be working on a place brief in the weeks ahead and that there is a sounding board today (20 January).

He added that he hopes NNs will meet as the year progresses.

Evelyn advised the group that she has a new post in the Council so will be moving on from the Locality Manager position and that this will be her last meeting. On behalf of Rachel Green and himself Douglas thanked Evelyn for her work on the NE LCPP and wished her well.

# 8. DONM

End of March, beginning April

NE LCPP – 20 January 2022

Numb er	Date	Торіс	Action	Action Owner	•	Actual completio n date	Comments
1	30-Sep-19	Substitutes	Neighbourhood Networks to consider at their next session how they want to identify substitute	Dougla s/Geoff	05-Dec		NN to agree representation/ subs
2	27-Feb-20	Tracker	NN emailing question to be taken forward as a matter of priority	Evelyn	ASAP		To be picked up as part of refreshed NN discussions
3	27-Feb-20	LIP progress report	Further discussion around whether there is a way to capture whether a difference is being made to those experiencing poverty and inequality as a result of the LIPs.	All			Ongoing- Context of performance framework discussions
4	28-Jan	Thrive Project	LIF agreed to circulate to the group results of an evaluation on initial conversations and progress.	LIF			Julie emailed 21/10
5	05-May-21	LIP (priority 1)	Susie to provide breakdown of numbers of people supported within the locality	SD			Susie will circ Oct/Nov
6	05-May-21	Neighbourhood Networks	Evelyn will follow up on an LCPP rep from C&D NN	EK			
7	19/08/2021	LIP (priority 3)	Invite a local partnership police officer to a future meeting to provide a local context	KD			
8	19/08/2021	Neighbourhood Networks	Maria and Rachel to link in regarding the Voluntary Sector Forums	MA/RG			
9	27/10/2021	AOB	Rachel to circulate the written report for LCR Stands Up	RG			



### LIP quarterly progress report

Date of LCPP group for consideration: April 2022

Lead officer: Susie Donkin

Priority theme: Theme 1 – Targeted support and early intervention for young people and their families

**School Leaver Destination Report (SLDR) and Annual Participation Measure (APM):** Following the slight fall in last year's APM and SLDR for schools in the NE area, all employability partners worked hard to ensure that every school leaver from each of the locality schools, without a positive destination, was referred in to the Activity Agreement team for review and onward progression to employability support or training within the Joined up for Young People (JUFYP) network.

The most recent SLDR report shows that 4 out of 5 schools statistics have improved in this year's report. This is no doubt supported by the excellent partnership work with schools, SDS, council and Scottish Government funded employability services and third sector partners.

The latest Participation Measure, which records whether young people aged 16 – 19 are involved in education, training or employment, for February was 90.5% – 0.8%a above the national average. Participation measures for Edinburgh and SIMD areas can be found at: <u>Monthly Participation</u> <u>Snapshot for 16 -19 year olds | Skills Development Scotland</u>

**Young Person's Guarantee:** Additional investment from Scottish Government through the Young Person's Guarantee has allowed us to offer additional specialist support and relevant activity across a number of services – adding capacity to support the most vulnerable young people who hadn't moved into further education, employment or training.

The majority of projects which were delivered in 2021/22 will continue to be delivered in all areas over 2022/23 with another round of Small Grants Funding available now. Funding is available to add value and fill any gaps in provision and will focus on the following identified priorities:

- Young people from Black Asian and Minority Ethnic backgrounds
- Money advice, budgeting and financial inclusion support
- Support for those aged 20 24 who have dropped out of activity
- Dedicated in-work support to help sustain employment

**Skills Development Scotland (SDS):** school delivery in the main across the schools in NE is reasonably on track however, pupil attendance has been sporadic, and this is impacting their work. Relationships with the schools in the locality are very good.

**2022 school leavers**: Partners are currently preparing for the new cohort of leavers May 22 and are heavily involved in 16 plus arrangements across these schools. Young people who do not have college, university, a job or other training lined up, will be referred into the Activity Agreement team and extensive network of employability support to create a suitable pathway for progression towards training or employment.



## Actions completed in the last quarter (since the last progress report)

### Milestones expected to be achieved in the next quarter

- Ongoing collaboration with schools to ensure that every school leaver has a planned pathway leading to a positive destination.
- Planning for an 'in-person' opportunities event underway
- Strategic Skills Pipeline document to be updated (last version attached for info) and list of all council funded activity will be shared with partners and frontline staff including housing officers, concierge and health staff

## Barriers/challenges (physical, partnership, financial etc)

Work is still underway to support young people to access services which are beginning to re-open. Mental health of young people has been severely affected by the pandemic, and there is an understanding that young people will take longer and require more support before they are able to progress into a positive destination.

Spring Opportunities Events – the resumption of in-person events have been delayed due to the additional concerns about omicron, staff absence and other delivery priorities. Discussion is underway to ensure that school leavers are supported upon leaving school and officers are investigating how to offer more opportunities locally, rather than in a wider event.

### Wider factors/influencers (i.e. legislative changes)

Scottish Government have committed to funding Young Person's Guarantee activity in the year ahead, although the funding amount has been significantly reduced. However,, they have allowed carry forward of funds awarded in 2021-22 which has allowed delivery plans to be developed for the year ahead.

Now that the remaining covid restrictions have been lifted, services can resume more face to face work. This should give more flexibility to offer outreach sessions in community venues, ensuring that services can be accessed locally.



Case study examples – please complete for any examples of success/good practice that has been achieved to date under this priority

## For LCPP delivery group to complete

Date considered:

Is the priority on track? Y/N

Any decisions to be taken? (i.e. change of actions, escalation)

Feedback to lead officer (if any)

JOINED UP FOR JOBS Edinburgh's Jobs Strategy	Edinburgh's Strategic Skills Pip	eline (Updated August 202	21)					
Referral Routes	and assessmentaOutreach, supporting peopleAinto regular activity and positivea	tage 2 – needs assessment and barrier removal assessment of clients needs, addressing barriers to employment/training	Stage 3 – vocational activity Delivering accredited training, employability training and job search advice	engagement and job matching Arranging work or volunteer placements, matching job-	Stage 5 – in-work support and aftercare Supporting individuals to maintain and progress within the workplace			
	NEST Third Party Grants (Stage 1-5): People requiring specific barrier removal or with niche needs. 781 places per annum.							
$\land$	Parental Employability Support Fund & Boost (Stage 1-5): Scottish Government funded employability initiatives to support parents into and to progress in employment. 408 places.							
	NOLB Activity Agreements & Boost (Stage 1- 150 places per annum. Boost funding to incre	s (Stage 4-5): Collaboration with ities and supports for job seekers (Inc. itment Centres).						
Schools and	YEAP (Stage 1-5): captures city-wide services for supporting young people, with c.800 places per annum outside of the NEST Third-Party Grants and Employability Fund.							
Community	Intensive Family Support (Stage 1): Targeted poverty and social inclusion "Data Innovation" and "Construction" Skills Gateways (Stage 2-5): Sector focused career enabling and development programmes. 20,000 opportu- over an 8 year period with c. 2000 training places to be offered per annum.							
	support for low income families. <b>45</b> Edinburgh individuals supported.	Integrated Employer Engagement (Stage 4-5): Collaboration between regional partners to maximise the benefits from employer relationships. C19 Jobs portal with over 1,700 registered users						
	EnCompass (Stage 1-4): People with a history of substance misuse, criminal justice and homeless. 200 places per annum. PACE Redundancy Support Grants (Stage 4-5): Support for people made redundant or at threat of redundancy during COVID. 85 places per annum.							
Specialist Agencies	Maximise! (Stage 1): Supports attainment and well-being of children and their families by offering holistic	All in Edinburgh (Stage 2-5): Those with a disability (including mental health) or long-term health condition, with focus on work progression under Supported Employment framework. (supported by European Social Fund). 500 places per annum						
_	support and advice on a range of issue.	SDS Employability Fund (Stage 2-4): Support to develop skills and confidence. 480 places per annum. Modern and Graduate						
	440 individuals supported.			Sector Based Work Academies (SWAP) (Stage 4): Early Years and Health 12	Apprenticeships (Stage 5): 1250 MA starts per annum.			
			places and Public Sector 12 places.					
		Start Scotland (Stage 2-5): Long-te secured jobs for from earlier pipeli		employment. 897 places per annum. In-wor	k support limited to those they			
Client Self-	CEC Direct Delivered Prov	vision: 156 places	Edinburgh Project SEARCH (Stage 3): Council/NHS work experience for young people with a disability. 26 places per annum.	<b>EERI (Stage 4):</b> Unemployed individuals people with the greatest barriers to employment, <b>30</b> places per annum.	Modern Apprenticeships (Stage 5): Development roles in various Council disciplines. 100 places per annum.			
Referral	ESES City Region Deal Act	tivity: 3745 places	<b>ETIES NEXT STEP (stage 4-5):</b> Short-term unemployed, those facing redundancy, and those requiring in-work support, focusing on regeneration areas. <b>900</b> places per annum (supported by European Social Fund).					
	CEC Funded Externally De	livered Provision: 3842 places						
	Other Funded Provision: 3451 places			Social Childcare (Stage 4-5): Provides childcare options where private				
				providers are limited/don't exist, with a focus on regeneration areas. <b>294</b> new families per annum.				

## LIP quarterly progress report

Date of LCPP group for consideration: 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Lead officer: Angela Lindsay

Priority theme: Health and Wellbeing

### Actions completed in the last quarter (since the last progress report)

### **NE Digest**

This continues to be collated and circulated monthly. As we move out of Covid restrictions and more face to face contact the amount of information being received is decreasing. We will monitor this.

## **NE Social Connections Group**

- Prioritising building a resilient 3<sup>rd</sup> sector and looking at the health and wellbeing of agencies, staff and colleagues including H&SC staff. The meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> February focused on this. The group were asked for different options of how to address building resilience and supporting H&WB of staff. 7 options were generated.

The 7 options were presented to H&SC staff also within SE and received with much enthusiasm.
A survey monkey was produced and circulated to identify which options would be suitable for staff. A poor response was gained however from verbal feedback and the small (52) sample response it was felt that the "Bollywood" event for all staff would be a good option to take forward. All other options staff could still take forward potentially and contact PHP to discuss.
Funding for the event has been applied for but will only give a maximum of £750 for the whole locality. Alternative funding and consideration of a minimal contribution is being explored.
the event is planned for 26<sup>th</sup> May 6.30 – 9.30pm. Open to all staff. Leith Dockers. Social enterprise company Punjabi Junction will provide 3 x curries, rice, salad and bread. A bar will be present for drinks. A fun programme will be pulled together looking at cultural diversity (to reflect the locality) and will include a few good stories, singing, and dancing.

-A focus on the challenges and issues faced by community groups due to loneliness and isolation and being house bound due to covid was the focus of the next meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022. A need for more intense one to one support for many people is required but difficult to fulfil due to demands on staff. Many clients facing anxiety due to the removal of restrictions and being out of practice in "going out".

-A pilot study is happening at Palmeny. Here they are joint working with aging well and Edinburgh leisure. Many clients are anxious about going out, they are not practiced physically in moving and need to build up strength and confidence along with issues around foot care. The 3 agencies working together are hoping that jointly they can address these issues and assist many more clients in the initial stages of getting out, building confidence and moving them on. An evaluation of the pilot study will be produced with findings and recommendations.

-A fund has been set up to support the mental health week 9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> May which is focusing in on loneliness and isolation. £5,000 funds for organisations/partnerships to support issues around this area are available. Closing date for applications 14<sup>th</sup> April to Linda Irvine Fitzpatrick. This information has been circulated and agencies encouraged to apply.

### **Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund**

-A new community commissioning process lead by EVOC and supported by EH&SCP staff allowed for £26K funds to be issued to 14 groups/organisations across Edinburgh for small grass roots activities in communities

-A further £1.255K was issued and distributed 31<sup>st</sup> March to 120 projects across the city with funds ranging from £600-£30K per project. A list of project has been produced with allocation of funds.
We are awaiting a list with where each project is based and the outcomes they hope to achieve.
-An evaluation of the new community commissioning process is now underway and will be essential in influencing any future funding i.e The Edinburgh PACT (the old grants process).

### Lifting Neighbourhoods Together – coordinated by Community Renewal

-A new project manager has been appointed to oversee the day to day running of the project.
-A meeting with Jon Farrier, Evelyn Kilmurry, Paul McColgan and Sylvia Baikie occurred to discuss progress of the project and ways forward. A number of concerns were discussed.
-Jon and Evelyn both are changing roles within the council and will no longer be the contacts for the CEC. A new preventing poverty manager they suggested will be appointed and will help support this project. PHP support will continue form EH&SCP.

### Heart of Newhaven (The Heart or HON)

-The project continues to wait for the keys for the building. This has not yet occurred but should be soon!

- A inequalities impact assessment (IIA) has been planned for 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022. This will be supported by EH&SCP PHP.

-Issues around annual costs is a concern as projected costings have gone up considerably due to the current cost of living increase. Revenue and regular "rental" of space is being explored. -EH&SC representation on the operational group is by PHP.

#### Improving Access to GPs for BME communities

-a small survey of MEHIS clients reflected difficulty in accessing GPs.

-working with the practice they are exploring how to address these issues.

-Training has been planned for staff 24<sup>th</sup> May. This will include equality and diversity training alongside problem solving solutions to individual cases.

-This training will be tested and could then be offered to other GP Practices across Edinburgh.

#### **Small Area networks**

-As we move out of covid there are a number of small area networks (leith, Craigmiller, and Craigentinny) developing or re-establishing as well as the NE Voluntary sector Forum.

Milestones expected to be achieved in the next quarter

-Bollywood evening for all staff H&WB.

-Provide evaluation of pilot study looking at partnership working to address house bound clients who need that extra assistance with foot care, confidence and build up off physical ability to begin leaving their homes and engaging with the community. (Palmenny, Aging well and Edinburgh leisure)

-Provide evaluation of community commissioning process for CMH&W fund.

-Continue to develop a partnership approach with Lifting Neighbourhoods Together and potentially develop a joint plan of action going forward

-The keys being handed over to Heart of Newhaven (HON)

-Inequalities impact assessment at HON.

### Barriers/challenges (physical, partnership, financial etc)

-the continual changing COVID impact on services and communities. This is in particular the amount of staff absence in all services.

-challenging change and healthier partnership relationships with LNT in order to move this project forward

-- HON the school building /community asset is still not handed over this is hoped to be in this coming quarter.

-challenge of meeting face to face with services. Potential risk of covid

## Wider factors/influencers (i.e. legislative changes)

The economic and health impact of the pandemic and associated restrictions, as well as the recent changes in benefits and the energy industry crisis, as well as the general cost of living increase are likely to continue to widen health inequalities, so we are working in a much more difficult context than before the pandemic, while facing increased demand on public services and strained finances.

Case study examples – please complete for any examples of success/good practice that has been achieved to date under this priority

## For LCPP delivery group to complete

Date considered:

Is the priority on track? Y/N

Any decisions to be taken? (i.e. change of actions, escalation)

Feedback to lead officer (if any)

LIP exception report

Date considered at LCPP group:

Date of Edinburgh Partnership Board:

Priority theme:

Lead officer:

Summary of actions completed to date

Reason for escalation:

Action required from LCPP:

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#### Actions completed in the last quarter (since the last progress report)

Deliver Domestic Abuse Training – Identified current Dom Abuse Training for CEC employees. Discussion with CEC lead re roll out of Domestic Abuse Training

Tackling Anti-social Behaviour - NE Anti-Social Behaviour Working Action Group - CEC housing officers and FAHST, RSL's, local CPT, LPO's. The group continues to meet on a monthly basis to discuss joint priority actions and share ideas on how to tackle ASB in the NE area and how to deter offenders from this type of behaviour.

In partnership with City of Edinburgh Council on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022 a community clean-up day was established where officers and City of Edinburgh Council we out litter picking, completing grounds maintenance and providing an opportunity for members of the community to speak to police and City of Edinburgh Council and offer reassurance and visibility.

UPCYCLE Initiative - Upcycle Initiative has been running for the previous 5 weeks. NECPT, with funding from DCC Kerr, have provided a number of youths from North East Edinburgh the opportunity to undertake a Bike Maintenance course run by Richard from Leith Cycle Co. Four weeks have been spent on tyres, gears, brakes and learning general bike maintenance with week 5 providing the attendees with cycle safety training and bike control skills. The group then cycled from the police station to Nandos at Fort Kinnaird, who kindly provided the group with a dinner as a celebration of their hard work. Each youth is now the proud owner of the bike they have been working on, bike safety gear and pump. It has been a lot of hard work by everyone involved but a massive success and some great interaction with youths in the area who have developed some life skills and should be able to keep the bikes in good working order without the need of a professional bike mechanic.

PITCHIN IN PROGRAMME – Our Portobello High School Link Officer has just concluded the first North East Pitchin' In Programme at Portobello High School. Police Scotland's Pitchin' In Programme is aimed at school pupils who are interested in developing their football skills. Run with the help of school staff, PC Ferry successfully engaged a number of 13 – 15 year olds throughout the programme. The programme allows deliverance of some key life messages alongside the football training. It has been so successful at Portobello that further local officer will be trained to run the programme which will be rolled out to Castlebrae High School and Leith Academy by the end of the year.

Tackling Hate Crime – Continual contact with community groups and meetings, facilitated to create working relationships.

North East launched the Beat Hate campaign on 23<sup>rd</sup> February in partnership with The Ripple, Feniks, Edinburgh Community food and other third sector agencies and charities. Initially being aimed at Eastern European members of the community, its success has been overwhelming.

The campaign has provided positive interaction with police, partners and third sector agencies, provided platform to discuss issues or concerns within their community, provided a link in with Beat Hunger for those struggling during these challenging times, and bridged the gap between police and partners, and signposted to third sector agencies.

Attendees have ranged from Polish, Romanian, Hungarian, and Lithuanian community members, all who have found the campaign and the support beneficial.

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#### Milestones expected to be achieved in the next quarter

Deliver Domestic Abuse Training - Continued liaison with partners in CEC to identify suitable platform/timescale for delivery/Roll out of Domestic Abuse training within CEC

Tackling Anti-social Behaviour - Op Elate was developed as an overarching operation to improve the Leith area through partnership working and working with the local community in an around Cables Wynd House. The vision is to create a community hub in the footprint of Cables Wynd House and improve the local area by providing community spirit, increased pride and joy, resulting in reduced ASB and criminality, self-awareness, common gratification and respect to the area.

We are supporting City of Edinburgh Council with the development of Cables Wynd House and will be part of a monthly forum being created with residents to discuss plans. Local youth group leaders will be involved bringing the young people of the area's necessary input.

All Out Days of action – Routinely Local officers will be working jointly with local housing groups, City of Edinburgh Council, trading standards, immigration, DVLA, local temporary housing to encourage engagement with third sector for additional support, and businesses to improve the area, increase community consultation and build upon future campaigns.

PITCHIN IN PROGRAMME - has been so successful at Portobello that further local officers will be trained to run the programme which will be rolled out to Castlebrae High School and Leith Academy.

Tackling Hate Crime - Beat hate has instigated the beginning of additional joint partnership work to benefit the local community including providing skills to attendees such as food hygiene, nutrition, English lessons, inputs from officers around door step crime and cyber security and that all important knowledge of how and when to report hate crimes to police and other agencies.

Plans are in place to extend the campaign for another 6 months to widen the outreach to other nationalities, LGBTIQA, and those living with disabilities.

#### Barriers/challenges (physical, partnership, financial etc)

Deliver Domestic Abuse Training – PsoS Domestic Abuse training remains awaiting sign off at National Level.

Tackling ASB - The impact of the COVID 19 pandemic continues to hamper progress in a number of initiatives/areas, however it is hoped that with the removal of restrictions, this particular barrier will diminish

Tackling hate Crime – The Challenge of engaging with smaller local groups/communities remains, however with the publicised success of the Beat hate campaign it is hoped this will diminish.

#### Wider factors/influencers (i.e. legislative changes)

The impact of Covid 19 remains an influencing factor on resource levels and our ability to interact face to face with local initiatives.

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Case study examples – please complete for any examples of success/good practice that has been achieved to date under this priority

Beat Hate

**Operation Elate** 

Pitchin in program

Upcycle Initiative

(All described in previous text)